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SUBJ: GOP LIFTS STATE OF SIEGE EXCEPT IN ASUNCION

1. BY DECREE DATED MAY 2 THE GOP CONTINUED THE STATE OF SIEGE ONLY IN
THE CAPITAL, ASUNCION, FOR THE USUAL 90 DAYS. THIS EXCLUDES THE DEPART-

MENTS OF ITAPUA, ALTO PARANA AND CENTRAL WHICH HAD BEEN INCLUDED IN
PREVIOUS DECREES. EXCEPT FOR A SIX-MONTH HIATUS IN 1947, A STATE OF
SIEGE HAS BEEN EFFECT SINCE 1929 IN ONE OR MORE DEPARTMENTS OF PARA-
GUAY. THE SAME REASON WAS GIVEN FOR CONTINUING THE STATE OF SIEGE IN
THE CAPITAL, I.E., THERE ARE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVID-
UALS WHO ARE TRYING TO DESTROY THE BASIS OF PARAGUAY'S SOCIETY THROUGH

SUBVERSION.

2. COMMENT: THE LIFTING OF THE STATE OF SIEGE IN THREE DEPARTMENTS
IS MORE A SYMBOL OF GOOD INTENTIONS THAN A BASIC IMPROVEMENT IN PRO-
VIDING THE SAFEGUARDS PARAGUAYANS ARE ENTITLED TO UNDER THE CONSTI-
TUTION. BY RETAINING THE STATE OF SIEGE IN ASUNCION, PRISONERS CAN
STILL BE ARRESTED ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY AND TAKEN TO THE

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CAPITAL WHERE THEIR BASIC RIGHTS ARE SUSPENDED AND THE POLICE
ARE ABLE TO EMPLOY EXTRA-LEGAL METHODS IN DEALING WITH THEM.
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